## **Biography**



### NEBRASKA AIR NATIONAL GUARD

# Command Chief Master Sergeant Bradley R. Novak



Chief Master Sergeant Brad R. Novak is the Command Chief Master Sergeant for the State of Nebraska, assigned to Joint Force Headquarters, Nebraska. The Command CMSgt is the Senior Enlisted Grade in the State and is the liaison between the Enlisted Force and the Adjutant General.

Chief Novak began his military career in 1971 by joining the Nebraska Air National Guard attending Basic Training. Chief Novak's first assignment was with the 173 Tactical Reconnaissance Squadron Photographic Processing and Interpretation Facility and attended Technical School at Lowery AFB in Colorado. Chief Novak accepted a Full Time position with the Nebraska Air National Guard in 1982. Chief Novak served in various NCOIC and Superintendent positions with the Tactical Reconnaissance Squadron until 1993 when he transferred to the Maintenance Squadron for a short tour with Aircraft Maintenance due to conversion of the aircraft from RF4C to KC135R. In 1994 Chief Novak joined the 155 Communications Flight in the Plans and Implementation Flight. Chief Novak eventually attained the Plans Flight Chief and CF NCOIC positions. Chief Novak assumed his current position of State Com-

mand Chief in July 2003.

#### **EDUCATION:**

1970 – Graduated from Lincoln Southeast High School, Lincoln, NE.

1979 – USAF Non-Commissioned Officer Academy, via correspondence.

1983 – USAF Senior Non-Commissioned Officer Academy, via correspondence.

2005 - USAF Chiefs Leadership Course, In Residence

#### **AWARDS:**

Meritorious Service Medal

Air Force Commendation Medal with 1 Oak Leaf Cluster

Air Force Achievement Medal with 3 Oak Leaf Clusters

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with 7 Oak Leaf Clusters

Air Reserve Forces Meritorious Service Medal with 11 Oak Leaf Clusters

National Defense Service Medal with Star

Southwest Asia Service Medal

Global War on Terrorism Service Medal

Air Force Longevity Service Medal with 8 Oak Leaf Clusters

Armed Forces Reserve Medal with Gold Hourglass

NCO Professional Military Education Graduation Ribbon

Small Arms Expert Marksmanship Ribbon

Air Force Training Ribbon

#### **PROMOTIONS:**

November 1981 - MSgt

November 1998 – SMSgt

December 2000 - CMSgt